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TO : MR. D. E. MOORE *Moore*

DATE: 6/8/59

FROM : A. H. Belmont

SUBJECT: *alternative* JULIO HUERTAMATE, Potential Confidential Source (Information furnished by Mr. Irving Davidson)

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Mr. Irving Davidson called at 11:40 a.m. today, as a followup to his conversation with me on 6/2, (at which time he recommended we talk to Huertamate as a possible source of information on Latin American matters. Mr. Davidson said today that Huertamate had been out of town, but that he would like to come down and see me at 3:30pm today. I told him this was satisfactory,

Davidson referred to his previous discussion, wherein he said he had been holding the Dominican Republic off on the purchase of arms which he figured are to be used in an invasion of Cuba. He said he had learned, as a matter of fact, that on 6/2, a DC-4 airplane stopped at Bermuda with a load of "farm machinery" en route to the Dominican Republic. A check of the plane by authorities at Bermuda showed that it was loaded with machineguns, rather than farm machinery. The authorities held it for 20 hours and then let it proceed to its destination. Last Friday, 6/5, another DC-4 carried a like load of "farm machinery" and was allowed to proceed to the Dominican Republic. Davidson said that the same thing will happen tomorrow, 6/9.

He said that these DC-4s are carrying arms purchased in Italy and are being flown by US pilots (for hire) from Italy to the Dominican Republic. He said the planes are controlled by a Brussels, Belgium firm.

Davidson said also that he was in New York over the weekend and had talked to some Dominicans and some Cubans, and conditions are getting so bad in Cuba that it can well be that a counterrevolution will occur from within Cuba, rather than waiting for any invasion force from the outside. He said from what he can gather the powerful interests, such as bankers, sugar institute, et cetera, are extremely dissatisfied.

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cc Mr. Belmont
Mr. Boardman
Mr. DeLoach

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